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**HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Re: Ex Parte No. 646 (Sub-No. 1), Simplified Standards for Rail Rate Cases

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding are an original and ten copies of the Notice of Intent to Participate of Norfolk Southern Railway Company.

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed Notice of Intent to Participate for filing by date-stamping the enclosed extra copies and returning them via our messenger. If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned counsel.

Sincerely,

G. Paul Moates  
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*Counsel to Norfolk Southern Railway Company*

Enclosure

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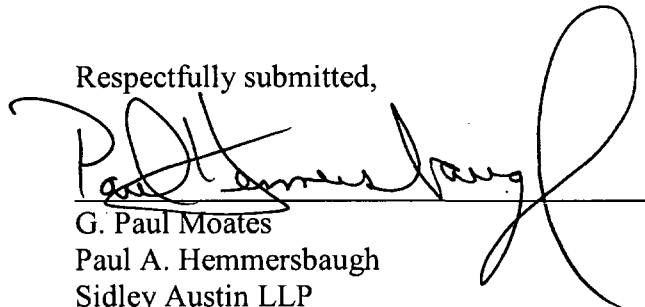
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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE  
OF NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY**

Norfolk Southern Railway Company hereby provides notice of its intent to participate as  
a party of record in the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



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